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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, and 12.

Please substitute amended claims 1, 4, 5, 9, 11, 13, 17, and 18 as follows for the pending claims with the same number:

> A thermally energy efficient vehicle comprising: 1. (AMENDED)

a vehicle structure, wherein said vehicle structure includes generally interconnected structural members that found a frame for the vehicle and generally planar interconnected panels that define a shape of the vehicle, wherein a thermally efficient structural material is utilized for said structural/members to reduce a thermal mass of said structural

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity) Docket No. Applicant(s): T. Gielda V200-0035 Examiner **Group Art Unit** Filing Date Serial No. J. Morrow 3612 09/766,972 January 22, 2001 Invertor ETHERMALLY ENERGY EFFICIENT VEHICLE RECEIVED EEB 5 1 5005 TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: **GROUP 3600** Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** ADDITIONAL NUMBER EXTRA HIGHEST # **CLAIMS REMAINING** RATE **CLAIMS PRESENT** PREV. PAID FOR FEE AFTER AMENDMENT 20 0 х \$18.00 \$0.00 20 **TOTAL CLAIMS** 0 \$84.00 \$0.00 = x 3 INDEP. CLAIMS 3 \$0.00 Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) \$0.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT No additional fee is required for amendment. in the amount of Please charge Deposit Account No. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2712 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. COPY OF PAPERS Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. ORIGINALLY FILED Dated: February 6, 2002 Daniel H. Bliss, Reg. No. 32,398 [066 200246] Bliss McGlynn & Nolan, P.C. 2075 West Big Beaver Road, Suite 600 I certify that this document and fee is being deposited Tr v, Michigan 48084 dfeb. 6, 2002 with the U.S. Postal Service as (248) 649-6090 first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence Daniel H. Bliss

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